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SUBJECT: MPLA SOLDIERS ATTACK FNLA

1. AN FNLA COMMUNIQUE ON APRIL 7 REPORTS THAT ON APRIL 6 IN LUANDA A LARGE GROUP OF MPLA SOLDIERS SURROUNDED A SMALLER GROUP OF FNLA TROOPS WHO WERE IN THE PROCESS OF MOVING FURNITURE. WORDSR EVENTUALLY, SHOTS WERE EXCHANGED. ONE FNLA SOLDIER WAS KILLED, TWO WERE SERIOUSLY WOUNDED AND A CIVILIAN WAS WOUNDED. THE COMMUNIQUE DID NOT MENTION MPLA LOSSES. SHOTS WERE ALSO AIMED AT FNLA'S MAIN HEADQUARTERS. FNLA CLAIMS A PORTUGUESE ARMY PATROL WAS NEARBY DURING THE SHOOTT-OUT BUT DID NOT INTERVENE.

2. FNLA ASSERTS IT DID NOT RESPOND TO THOSE "ANARCHISTIC" AND "COUNTER-REVOLUTIONARY" PROVOCATIONS BUT INSTEAD ISSUED AN APPEAL TO ALL ITS FOLLOWERS TO REMAIN CALM.

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3. THE BANNER HEADLINE IN "A PROVINCIA" READ "RUSSIAN MACHINEGUNS

KILL FNLA SOLDIERS" AND FNLA ALSO REFERRED TO RUSSIAN WEAPONS IN
ITS COMMUNIQUE. THIS IS THE FIRST TIME SUCH PROMINENT MENTION
OF FOREIGN MILITARY ASSISTANCE HAS BEEN MADE.
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